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Attorney Docket No. 600189-345

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Michael Burrows
Application No. : 10/827,354
Filed : April 20, 2004
Title : Technique for Ranking Records of a Database
Examiner : Mark A. Radtke
Art Unit : 2165

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2007, please
reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.